

AGENDA SUMMARY PAGE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING OF: MARCH 5, 2008

DEPARTMENT: OFFICE OF COMMUNICATIONS
DIRECTOR: DAVID RIGGLEMAN

SUBJECT:
RECOGNITION OF PERSIAN HERITAGE MONTH

BACKUP DOCUMENTATION:

Submitted at meeting Copy of Proclamation declaring March 2008 as Persian Heritage Month

Minutes:

No motion required. A presentation was made.

COUNCILMAN WOLFSON acknowledged the many groups who have made Las Vegas their home and recognized the numerous contributions of the Persian American community to the City. COUNCILMAN WOLFSON noted that March coincides with Norouz, the Persian New Year's celebration that begins with the Spring equinox, and he invited TED HAKIMI, President of the Persian Professional Society of Las Vegas, and HANIF HALLALI to the podium to accept the proclamation declaring March as Persian Heritage Month.

MR. HAKIMI explained that Norouz is not a religious holiday and pointed out that the United States has the highest number of Iranians outside of Iran. He acknowledged the challenges facing the Iranian immigrants and thanked the City for the recognition and for making them feel at home.

